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### MASTERLY PLEA FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

DR. JAMES E. SHEPARD THRILLS AN IMMENSE AUDIENCE

BRILLIANT YOUNG EDUCATOR ACCORDED TREMENDOUS  
OVATION BY AUDIENCE OF WASHINGTON'S MOST  
SUBSTANTIAL CITIZENS—HON JOHN C.  
DANCY'S HAPPY INTRODUCTION.

WORK OF NATIONAL RELIGIOUS TRAINING SCHOOL AT DUR-  
HAM EXTOLLED—PLAN, SCOPE AND INFLUENCE OF  
THE NEW PROPAGANDA—DR. THIRKIELD'S  
ENTHUSIASTIC ENDORSEMENT.

ONLY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CAN SOLVE PROBLEMS  
THAT NOW VEX HUMANITY—THE BIBLE  
NATURE'S FOUNDATION.

DR. SHEPARD GUEST AT ELABORATE DINNER AT TRUE RE-  
FORMERS' HALL—AUDITOR TYLER ADMIRABLE TOAST-  
MASTER—ENCONIUMS THAT OFFER ENCOUR-  
AGEMENT AND CHEER TO PAINS-  
TAKING WORKER.

CHOICE MUSIC, TOOTHsome MENU, COMPANIONABLE  
GUESTS, WHOLE-SOULD HOSPITALITY, FEAST OF  
REASON, AND IDEAL SKIES RENDER VISIT OF  
RACE LEADER A DELIGHTFUL MEMORY.

(Written expressly for The Bee.)

Tuesday was "Dr. Shepard Day" in the District of Columbia. "The freedom of the city" was given, without reservation, to the brilliant young exponent of the new propaganda of religious education. Right royally did he wield the scepter that an appreciative people placed in his hands. A luminous chapter has been written into the history of the thought and action of the men and women who "do things" in this community. They have experienced a thrill and an inspiration that have made them better and stronger because of their contact with the magnetic president of the National Religious Training School, which has the thriving city of Durham, N. C., for its habitat.

Dr. Shepard impresses Bethel Literary Society.

Emphasizing the fundamental and far-reaching value of religious education as the primary solvent of the race's variegated problem, Dr. James E. Shepard addressed a large and thoroughly representative audience Tuesday evening at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, under the auspices of the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. His hearers were made up of the bone and sinew of the Nation's Capital, and the rare quality of the message delivered was best attested by the close attention that was given to it from beginning to end, and the frequent and spontaneous applause that greeted the salient points with which it fairly bristled. Introducing the speaker, former Recorder John C. Dancy paid a glowing tribute to the man and his work, and told of the marvelous progress that had been made toward building up a Negro "Mecca" at Durham, on a spot that two years ago was an untouched field—now tense with a throbbing activity that betokens everlasting good to the race. Dr. Shepard was warmly received, and at the conclusion of his powerful address he was accorded an ovation that made the welkin ring, compelling repeated acknowledgments at the hands of the orator before peace could be restored. The speaker was presented with a huge bouquet of Queen Beatrix roses. The National Religious Training School and its peerless founder have been enthusiastically endorsed by the substantial citizens of Washington, recognized as the most critical community between the oceans.

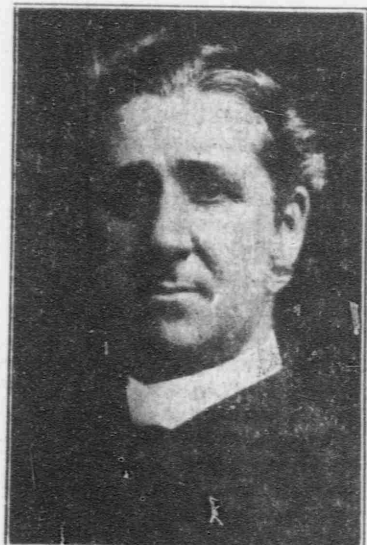
#### A Brilliant Program Presented.

Mr. A. D. Washington, Bethel Literary's energetic chief executive, presided with dignity and firmness. Associated with him on the platform was a coterie of leaders, typical of the ministerial, educational and professional and business life of the District. A fine musical program was presented, embracing songs by a young ladies' chorus from Miss Nannie H. Burroughs' National Training School, at Lincoln Heights, D. C., and selections, classic and popular, by the Amsterdam Orchestra of ten pieces. Among the songs that particularly impressed the great audience was "The Negro Has Fought Every Battle But His Own." It was composed by Miss Burroughs, and was rendered with telling effect, led by Miss Ophelia Porter, of New Orleans, La.

Following Dr. Shepard's masterly presentation of the plans and purposes of his propaganda, Dr. W. P. Thirkield, president of Howard University, delivered a supplementary address in support of the educational system advocated by the speaker of the evening, and drew upon the history of the ages to prove that underlying all permanent development there must be a basis of the principles laid down in Holy Writ and a fervent recognition of the doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Dr. Thirkield predicted a glorious career of usefulness for the National Religious

Training School at Durham, the work of which he had viewed at close range during an exceedingly pleasant and profitable visit to the school last year. He was enthusiastically applauded.

Former District Commissioner H. B. F. Macfarland, Register J. C. Napier, Archdeacon W. George Avant, and Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, who sat upon the platform, also voiced a hearty approval of the "Shepard idea." Upon motion of Editor W. Calvin Chase, of the Washington Bee, a vote of thanks was tendered the distinguished speaker, and the musicians who had assisted in making the evening an enjoyable one. Dr. B. F. Watson invoked the divine blessing, and Dr. M. W. Clair pronounced the benediction. After adjournment, the rostrum was besieged by the throng, eager to grasp the hand of Dr. Shepard and wish him "God-speed." He was overwhelmed with congratulations upon his forcible, comprehensive and convincing deliverance—the best that has been heard here in many moons—if ever. It was a "Shepard Night," with a vengeance.



DR. W. P. THIRKIELD.  
Indorses Dr. Shepard.

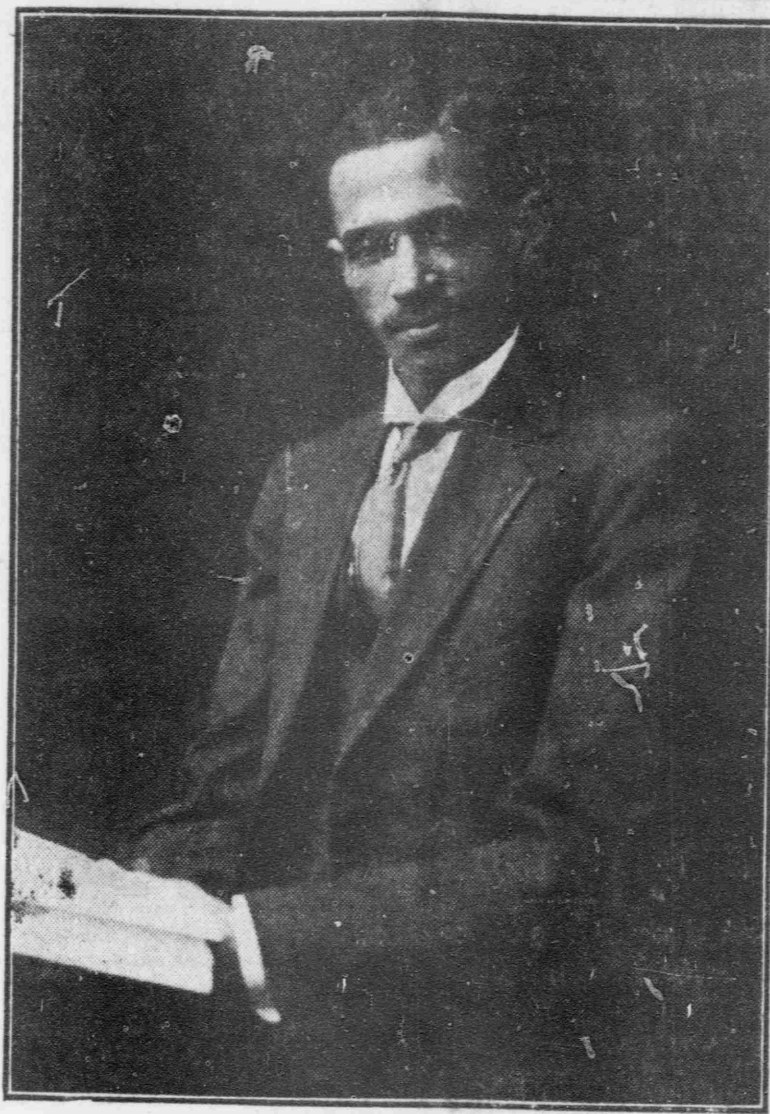
Dr. Shepard "Dined" at True Reformers' Hall.

Prior to the big meeting at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Dr. Shepard was taken on an extended "sight-seeing tour" of this "City of Magnificent Distances" by Attorney A. W. Scott, and was then the guest of honor at a complimentary dinner in the main auditorium of True Reformers' Hall, tendered by fifty of Washington's progressive men of affairs. It began promptly at 5:30 o'clock. Mr. Ralph W. Tyler made an admirable toastmaster, his introductions being unusually felicitous and tinged with characteristic humor. The speeches, all of a high order and abounding in commendation of Dr. Shepard's unselfish, painstaking and productive labors for the race, were as follows:

#### Toasts.

Toastmaster—Mr. Ralph W. Tyler. Welcome—Mr. Jas. A. Cobb. "Who is to Shepherd all nations. The life of Jesus is to lead and guide all nations into green pastures." Freedom of the City—Atty. A. W. Scott. He is a stranger in our midst; give him the freedom of the city. Religion—Rev. I. N. Ross. Thy duty is love to your fellow man. Education—Prof. Kelly Miller. "Education is not that which smother a woman with accomplishments, but that which tends to consolidate a firm and regular character—to form a friend, a companion, a

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DR. JAMES E. SHEPARD.  
THE GREAT EXPONDER OF A NEW PROPAGANDA. THE  
GREATEST OVATION EVER ACCORDED AN AMERICAN BY  
THE BETHEL LITERARY. ONE HUNDRED QUEEN BEATRICE  
ROSES PRESENTED BY THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY.

### PARAGRAPHIC NEWS

Important News Happening  
of the Week

DEVOTED TO GENERAL INTERESTS

John Patrick, a chief gunner's mate in the U. S. Navy, re-enlisted on board the U. S. S. Franklin at a monthly rate of \$100.31. Patrick is a Negro and has had over twenty-seven years' service. He will soon be eligible to retire on a handsome annuity.

The Rev. Francis Grimke will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the New York Historical and Literary Society at St. James' Presbyterian church, March 27. His subject will be "The Measure of a Man."

Robert Marshall, the only colored member of the Saratoga County Republican Committee, has been appointed by the Republicans to the office of fire clerk in the State Senate at Albany.

Mr. C. S. A. Baker, a colored man of Detroit, Mich., has sold his patent of a friction heater for street cars to a Canadian company for \$160,000. Baker conducted his experiments on a street car in Detroit, Mich.

By the will of Mrs. Alice A. Hicks nearly \$300,000 was left to charitable and educational institutions. The New York Orphan Asylum is left \$10,000.

The Reverend Father Planterigne, the colored Catholic priest, in an address before the Catholic University in this city said: "Never imagine that the colored people are satisfied as long as there is a Jim Crow sign on the confessional or on the pews or on a side door for them to go in. The great leakage in the Catholic Church is due to this very fact."

Mrs. Robert E. Barry, the first nurse to go to the front from New York when President Lincoln issued the call for volunteers in 1861, died last week in Pasadena, Cal. She was eighty-six years old.

The National Negro Business League reports that a colored business directory of Savannah, Ga., published by Whittier H. Wright, contains the names of 332 colored men doing business in that city.

The corner stone of Bunker Hill Monument, in Charlestown, Mass., was laid by General LaFayette June 17, 1825, who was then the nation's guest. Daniel Webster delivered the oration on the occasion.

The convicts in New Jersey rebelled against drinking water from the Delaware River, which resembles lemonade, on account of mud and dirt. Sheriff Madden decided that the protest was justified and ordered bottled spring water.

Miss Eliza Tyler Stowe, the last of the daughters of Harriet Beecher Stowe, died last week at her home in Simsbury. She was born at Walnut Hill, near Cincinnati. Her twin sister died several years ago.

The first section of the General Grant testimonial statue, which will occupy a site in the Botanic Garden at the foot of the Capitol grounds, has arrived in the city, and active preparations for the erection of the bronze will begin very soon.

President Taft's order for a systematic inspection of all government buildings to improve sanitary conditions, has revealed the interest Mrs. Taft, who is taking an interest in men and women who serve the numerous government departments.

According to Commissioner Rudolph, there is no need in the District for the establishment of a municipal bureau to care for fatherless families as that class of work is now being performed effectively by the Associated Charities, the Judge of the Juvenile Court and his probation officers.

A colored Salvation Army is to be seen on the streets of Knoxville, Tenn. It is said they are attracting a great deal of attention.

It is the edict of the Navy Department that wireless messages shall hereafter be known as radiograms.

Andrew Carnegie has given a trophy valued at \$750 to be awarded to the best cotton grower in the United States. Mr. Carnegie makes a special consideration of his award that colored people be permitted to contest for the prize.

Twenty-three industrial schools have been directly or indirectly founded by graduates and former students of Tuskegee Institute. These schools are employing about 150 teachers, nearly one-half of whom are graduates or former students of Tuskegee.

Mrs. Alice M. Dismukes, colored, who has charge of the laundry at Fisk University, has recently given \$1,000 of her wages toward the erection of a single building in which music may be taught. Miss Dismukes is greatly interested in music. Oh, for more sacrificing colored women.

Matt Henson, who accompanied Peary on his expedition to the North Pole, has written a book descriptive of the journey, and his hardship and experiences.

#### "A BIG DAY ON THE HILL."

On Sunday, March 31st at 3 o'clock "Pioneer Hall," the beautiful new building on the campus of the National Training School, Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, president, Lincoln Heights, D. C., will be dedicated.

Many great events making for the uplift of the entire race, have transpired at the National Capital, but this is the first and only institution in the world, founded and operated by the women of the race, for the training of women of the race. The institution has not only a claim upon the women for what it is doing for them, but upon the men, because it lives to develop ideal housekeepers and home-makers.

Those Who Will Attend Dedication. First: All women and women's organizations are invited.

Second: Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, secretary of the Independent Order of St. Lukes, and all members of the St. Lukes' Organization in this city.

Third: Pastors of the city.

Fourth: The choir of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church will furnish the music.

Fifth: All men who are interested in the development of the highest type of Christian womanhood.

Sixth: The Hon. W. O. Bradley, of Kentucky, will deliver the principal address.

Seventh: The Washington Colony of Kentuckians.

#### DECLARED OFF.

The testimonial by Miss Jean Kelly, announced for April 4, at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, has been declared off on account of Miss Kelly's departure for a year's tour abroad.

#### Big Stick Club.

Attorney John W. Moss, of Hillsdale, has organized a Taft Big Stick Republican Club. It will make its appearance soon.

### PRESIDENT TAFT'S OFFICIAL RECORD IN THE MATTER OF REPRESENTATION FOR THE COLORED RACE

Because a few colored postmasters, whose salaries all together did not total \$5,000, were displaced in the South the impression has gone abroad that President Taft has accorded less representation to the race than any previous Republican President. The Bee has carefully looked into the matter, and as a result finds that the representation, in the way of official patronage, now enjoyed by the race under President Taft in quantity and quality, is greater than under previous Presidents. It appears that the great run-up raised over the dropping of four of five little inconsequential postmasters by Postmaster General Hitchcock, without the knowledge of the President, has permitted the larger and finer appointments, made by the President, to be overshadowed.

For instance, more attention has been given to the dropping of Postmaster Wilson, at the little town of Florence, S. C., who had held the office for nearly a quarter of a century, than was given to the unusual appointment of Whitfield McKinlay as Collector of Customs in this city, which position has a maximum salary attached five times the salary of the Florence, S. C., postoffice. Postmaster Wilson's office, for rank and prominence, was not comparable to the position now held by Mr. McKinlay, who, by the way, is also a native South Carolinian. In the classified service, in round numbers, there are one thousand more colored employees in the government service than at the beginning of President Taft's term. In the matter of promotions there are more colored clerks enjoying higher grade of salaries than at the beginning of President Taft's term. As to patrons directly or indirectly conferred by the President, or which is considered, are Presidential appointments. The Bee has prepared the following list of colored officials serving under President Taft, each and every one of which are Presidential appointments, with the exception of Mr. Vernon and Mr. W. D. Johnson's appointments, and these two places were given the race by the suggestion of President Taft.

S. Laing Williams, of Chicago, who, holding over from the last administration as Special Assistant U. S. District Attorney, in charge of Naturalization, was appointed a regular Assistant U. S. District Attorney. Congress failing to appropriate for the continuation of special assistants in charge of Naturalization, Mr. Williams would have been dropped had not the President, desiring that the race have as nearly equitable representation as possible, promptly had Mr. Williams appointed a regular Assistant U. S. District Attorney at \$2,000 per annum.

Mr. William H. Lewis, of Boston, Mass., also Special Assistant in charge of Naturalization, because of the failure of Congress to appropriate for such positions, was likewise appointed, at the President's direction, regular Assistant U. S. District Attorney, at \$2,500. Later, as all are aware, President Taft appointed Mr. Lewis Assistant Attorney General, at \$5,000 per annum, the highest place in the Judiciary, to which a Negro has attained in this or any other country, whose population is not exclusively a Negro population.

Upon the resignation of John C. Dancy, who had been Recorder of Deeds for eight years previous, H. L. Johnson, of Georgia, was appointed to succeed him, at \$4,000 per annum. Upon the resignation of W. T. Vernon, as Register of the Treasury, the President appointed J. C. Napier, of Tennessee, to the place, his salary being \$4,000 per annum.

Mr. Emmett Scott, of Tuskegee, was appointed one of the three Commissioners of Liberia, to report upon the internal conditions and needs of that black republic. This was a position, though while temporary, of great honor, and requiring men of a very high order of intelligence, and adaptability, and the selection of Mr. Scott evidenced the President's confidence in colored men to fill any position.

The President, upon executive order, appointed James M. Alexander, cashier to the Collector of Internal Revenue at Los Angeles, Cal. This position is under Civil Service, but the President, who has refrained, more than any previous executive, from making appointments to the Civil Service branch upon executive order, made this appointment. Because of the special qualifications Mr. Alexander possessed for the position, and because, as he stated in the order making the appointment, the colored people of California had not adequate representation in the government service.

At his direction Captain W. T. Anderson, Chaplain for the 10th Cavalry, was promoted to the rank of Major. Charles A. Cottrill, of Ohio, was appointed Collector of Customs for Honolulu at a maximum salary of \$4,000 per annum.

Whitfield McKinlay was appointed Collector of Customs for this district, at a maximum salary of \$5,000 per annum. These two positions, together with the position to which Mr. Lewis was appointed, are new positions opened to the race, no colored man having previously held either of these offices.

The President appointed Dr. Crum, of South Carolina, Minister to Liberia, at \$5,000, and Mr. William Bundy, of Ohio, Secretary of the Legation there, at \$2,000.

Ex-Gov. F. B. S. Pinchback was appointed at the President's direction, to a position in the Internal Revenue Service, at New York, at \$10,000 per diem, and later covered in under the Civil Service, making his position permanent.

W. T. Vernon, of Kansas, was appointed at the President's direction, Supervisor of Indian and Negro Schools in Oklahoma.

W. D. Johnson, of Kentucky, was appointed, at the President's direction, to a position in the Agricultural Department.

Among the Colored officials in the service at the time of his inauguration, President Taft has retained R. H. Terrell, Judge of the Municipal Court, in this city, at \$2,500; James A. Cobb, Special Assistant District Attorney for this city, at \$2,000; Ralph W. Tyler, of Ohio, Auditor for the Navy, at \$4,000; Cyrus Field Adams, of Chicago, Assistant Register of the Treasury, at \$2,500; Charles W. Anderson, Internal Revenue Collector at New York, at \$4,500 per annum; Nathan Alexander, Register of the Land Office, at Montgomery, Ala., at \$1,500; Robert Smalls, Collector of Customs, at Beaufort, S. C., at \$1,200; Joseph E. Lee, Internal Revenue Collector at Jacksonville, Fla., at \$4,500; Dr. Henry Furniss, Minister to Haiti, at \$10,000 per annum. Also the eight colored men who are in the Consular Service have been retained by the President.

The above enumerated positions represent an aggregate of twenty-nine Negro officials appointed or retained by President Taft, whose salaries total \$90,000 per annum.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

(By Jno. T. C. Newsom.)

There are educations and educations in this country; but, of all the several species—literary, industrial or what not—I know of none more vitally important to material success—none more promotive of peace and brotherhood among men, of real manhood and good citizenship—than religious education—the kind of education of which Dr. Shepard is the distinguished exponent.

If you take care of the heart and the head, you will not have much trouble with the hand.

"Knowledge is power," we are told: a great good power, or a great bad power, according to the state of the heart or the conscience directing it; hence, the importance of religious and moral education.

If a man is to be a bad man, it is eminently better that he be ignorant; for, then, he will be less capable of doing harm.

I would not detract anything from the education of the hand; but, standing out clear and strong, like a Matterhorn, as chief and paramount of all is that of religious education.

Religious education (or heart education, if you please) is what the Negro needs. It is what the white man needs. It is emphatically what the poor white people of the South need. I speak of them especially, because they are pre-eminently the Negro-hating class.

With religious education the trouble making white man and the trouble-making Negro would entirely disappear from the community, and peace, in her glory and supremacy once more and forever would be established.

#### Bethel Literary Announcement.

The annual debate between Armstrong Manual Training and M. Street High schools will be held under the auspices of Bethel Literary and Historical Association next Tuesday night, April 2. The subject, "Resolved, That capital punishment in the United States should be abolished," will be discussed in the affirmative by a picked team of three young men from M. Street High School, while the negative side of the question will be defended by a similar team from Armstrong. Music for the occasion will be furnished by students from both schools.

#### Change of Front.

Baltimore, March 28. John H. Murphy, editor of the Afro-American Ledger, will direct the Roosevelt fight in this city. He will be assisted by a number of prominent citizens. Hugh E. Macbeth, editor of the Baltimore Times, is one of the enthusiastic supporters of the Colonel.

The Republican organization of the Seventeenth ward met at the home of Councilman Harry S. Cummings a few evenings ago, and endorsed President Taft for a re-nomination.

Every available space in John Wesley M. E. Church was taken last Sunday, when Rev. Ernest Lyon preached to local Knights of Pythias on Charity.

Attorney Thomas L. Jones, of Washington, was here this week looking after the interests of a client.

Mr. E. Davidson Washington, son of Dr. Booker T. Washington, was in the city Monday.